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There are several reasons why most collectors do not remove the gum from their stamps. First we'd say is indifference. That's well illustrated by the many who when buying a stamp demand that it be near perfection, but after they have it treat it as if indestructible. Second we'd say, is fear of loss of value. That is justified, as buyers from habit, generally look upon a gumless stamp as worth less. Third, there's some fear that dampening or soaking the stamps to remove the gum would harm the stamp by removing certain qualities of the paper. This is to all visible evidence purely imaginary, as the excellent condition of used stamps soaked off paper as long as 90 years ago testifies.

As in government, a well-led and noisy minority can impose its will on the majority, so it goes with our hobby. The apathy of the great majority of collectors permits many peculiar situations. They know that what is on the back of a stamp is of no consequence, yet because everybody else seems to be particular about the backside of their stamps, so must they be. There is a vague feeling that a stamp with plate number attached is worth more than one without, consequently all philatelic post office patrons request plate numbers. Light cancels were given a good sales-promotion, and now a lot of collectors will plunk out good money for specimens bearing some vague smudge in the belief that such a copy is better than one with a clear, legible impression of what was undeniably a postal cancellation and not someone's thumb. If the catalog lists a private label as a postage stamp, even though the price be hundreds of dollars, there are many buyers who will place such a label in their collection, and when the truth of the stamp's origin is published there is a general attitude as if the publisher had stooped to scandal mongering or was attacking one personally. We do a lot of silly, even absurd, things in this hobby and maybe if every now and then someone a la Westbrook Pegler takes us for a sizzling ride on the griddle of ridicule, we will stop and do our own thinking—or reasoning—and not swallow without protest what a few self-appointed authorities tell us. It's all the more disgraceful that we do not do our own thinking, when one considers there is a great to do about this country at present being one of the last democracies. And a democracy is not a place where one is supposed to accept as gospel truth every word one is told, but as a place where one does a little thinking for himself and reaches the conclusions from his own reasoning and not someone else's. A little more of that thinking and reasoning within our hobby is needed. Some day someone will do us all a favor by playing a grand hoax on us. We've had some minor ones that were quite effective.

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## It's News This Week

### Collection Depreciates Quickly

Clippings have been received from many readers about the reported sale of a \$300,000 collection to a peddler for \$9. Newspaper reports said the stamps dated back to the Revolutionary War! A landlady in Philadelphia sold the stamp collection following the death of a boarder, receiving payment in two installments of \$4 and \$5. The new owner was picked up by police when it developed that though earning \$25 to \$30 weekly he was also receiving relief payments. The stamps, discovered among his belongings, were at first thought part of the loot of a recent theft in Philadelphia, but eventually were learned to be the collection of the late Edward Green, member of a wealthy family engaged in the production of soda water. The Wilmington, Del. *Star* says that on Thursday, February 20 the collection was reported as worth \$300,000, but on Friday the value was reported as \$37,000 with no explanation of the sudden depreciation. One philatelist who examined the lot said he would hate to have to pay \$100 for the lot, and another said the original value was not over \$30,000 and that virtually all the saleable items had been disposed of before Mr. Green's death. Green had been selling the stamps for the past ten years. One of Green's sons, the ex-landlady and the peddler are each trying to obtain possession of the collection.

### Congo Emergency Issue

The occupation of Belgium where Belgian Congo stamps are printed in normal times, has led the postal service of the colony to arrange for printing its stamps in the Union of South Africa. The new series, depicting the late King Albert, will be placed in use as soon as ready, which is expected to be very soon, the *New York Times* reports. Denominations will be 10, 15, 25, 50 and 75 centimes and 1.25, 1.75, 2.50, 2.75, 5 and 10 francs. Collectors may obtain such stamps, if they desire to run the usual wartime risks and delays by remitting the face value (44 francs equal \$1 U.S.) to the Directeur des Postes, Leopoldville, by draft on either the Banque du Congo Belge or Banque Belge d'Afrique. The postal administration also has in stock the complete 1931-37 series, the 1938 National Parks series of six stamps, and all air mails from 1920 to date.

### 1916 Wines Exempted

We are indebted to Max C. Kaye, Springfield, Mass. dealer, for the information that the law concerning possession of Wine Stamps does not include within its recent drastic interpretation the 1916-18 issue of Wine Stamps. The announcement that prosecution loomed for persons unlawfully possessing such stamps did not exempt this first issue, but Mr. Kaye writes that his information comes from the Treasury Department in Washington. New designs of Wine Stamps were issued commencing in 1934 and apparently the Treasury only considers the law as applying to them.

### Says Cauca Never Issued Stamps

We have referred before to the researches by John N. Myer into the issues of Colombia and the numerous facts he has uncovered. In the January edition of the *American Philatelist* Mr. Myer presents detailed reasons why he believes there should be no stamps in the catalogues listed under the Colombian State (or Department) of Cauca. Of all the 62 stamps listed for this state, Mr. Myer accepts only three (Scott's type A7 issued by the national government in the capital city of Popayan during a civil war) as fully bonafide issues. No authenticating evidence has been found by Mr. Myer to support Nos. 53-54. The Tumaco provisionals of 1901 are shown to be the work of a former discredited postmaster who had once issued without authorization certain stamps of type of A6 to sell to collectors. On the basis of earlier evidence the Cauca stamps were deleted from some European catalogues, due to suspicious actions of persons supplying them.

### Marine Corps Museum

The U. S. Marine Corps is establishing a museum at the Marine Barracks, Quantico, Va. The museum will include philatelic items such as covers and letters having postmarks of marine offices, etc. Persons desiring to offer items should write the Stamp Editor, The Leatherneck, Washington, D. C. with description and price desired. We assume donations will be accepted.

### "Two Peoples and One Battle"

The above is the slogan inscription at top of the new German semi-postal stamp just issued which depicts Mussolini and Hitler side by side flanked by panels containing the fasces, eagle and swastika. The stamps have a postal face value of 12 pfennig but are sold for 50 pfennig the difference going to the "Culture Fund." Italy's companion stamp should also arrive soon, as such a stamp was reported in preparation.

### Santiago's Fourth Centenary

Recently appeared five stamps commemorating the fourth centenary of the founding of the city of Santiago, capital of Chile. A great celebration was held in the city on February 12, but the philatelic press termed (in *Chile Filatelico*) the stamp issue a "disgrace." In 1937 preparations were begun to have a handsome series of 13 stamps depicting famous persons and scenes. Then on May 27, 1940 the Minister of Interior issued another decree reducing the series to five values, three of them being among the highest of the original set. No change was made in designs, and the result was a haphazard selection. Omitted from the series were the eight other designs, depicting some of Chile's most illustrious persons. Newspapers bitterly protested the choice of designs. The 10 centavos stamp of which but 300,000 were ordered, was not only of an insignificant face value inviting speculation, but was unnecessary as it was not a commonly used postal adhesive. The postal administration offered no explanation apparently, taking refuge in silence.

### Pilcomayo Dispute Ended

On January 23, it was announced that representatives of Argentina, Paraguay and Bolivia had signed an agreement for the internationalisation of the Pilcomayo River and that a commission would study canalization of the stream. This river, long a source of friction, flows along the southern border of Bolivia and the Great Chaco. All three countries had claimed rights, with stagnation of commerce resulting. The river has appeared prominently on many stamps of the countries, which had only increased international friction. Clipping courtesy of H. G. Spanton.



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riotous few days between evacuation by the Ethiopian government and occupation by Italian forces. Since then, stamps which the catalogues designate as "Issued under Italian Occupation," depicting slight Victor Emmanuel III as Emperor have served the scant postage stamp needs of the wild country. Whether Haile Selassie will succeed in re-establishing himself as ruler of the country remains to be seen, though there is indication this is not unlikely since the defeat of Italy's first Ethiopian Viceroy, Marshal Graziani, in Libia. The huge statue of the Lion of Judah, depicted on the first stamps of Ethiopia (or Abyssinia as it is often incorrectly called), is now a trophy of the 1936 triumph in Rome, along with the crown of this ancient ruling family. Stamps may prove one of the first results of the attempted return to power of the Ethiopian ruler, left to his fate in 1936 by the same forces now aiding his return.

## Guynemer Commemorative

Among recent arrivals in this country is the French 50 franc stamp depicting the World War ace Georges Guynemer. During the war he shot down 53 German planes and became the leading French Ace. He was killed in an air battle on September 11, 1917 and Kent Stiles in *Scott's Monthly Journal* states the Germans permitted French aviators to fly over to attend his funeral behind the German lines. The stamp was evidently prepared in connection with the unveiling at Malo-les-Bains, near Dunkerque, of a monument on the twenty-first anniversary of his death.

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Some trickery has developed, but has not reached serious proportions. All deals are required to be completed within six months, and stamps not sold as well as proceeds of stamp sales are required returned to Britain. A few owners had dealers send stamps abroad and then the owner arriving in that country has attempted to obtain stamps or money or both and prevent return of same to England. In such cases the dealers are held liable and severe penalties can be imposed.

The guiding rule in regard to stamp imports has been to reduce them to the barest possible minimum. Scarcity of shipping space prevents bulk shipments of stamps (such as mixtures) from other units of the Empire and imports are limited, except for very exceptional cases, to letter mail. Imports from countries or colonies not using sterling currency are practically forbidden in entirety. But permission must always be obtained for any importation of stamps. Much mail has been seized, due to lack of permits; and this has been returned rather than confiscated as authorities recognized that many persons abroad were unfamiliar with regulation. So the stamps have not been held up unduly. Abuses have crept in. Occasionally it appears that these unauthorized sendings were encouraged by British correspondents in the deliberate hope that they would be excused and passed. The B.P.A. has evidenced exhaustion of its patience and confiscation looms for future such shipments, the excuse wearing thin.

At first sending of covers into England was not limited. So new issues were imported in this manner, foreign correspondents mailing dealers large quantities of covers franked with new issues. This is now forbidden as it constitutes in effect the buying of stamps abroad.

Another form of business has been hampered by the currency restrictions. Dealers had sums placed abroad with agents for the purpose of buying new issues and most were permitted to use these credits; but since then dealers have been instructed to turn such credits over to the Bank of England.

• On March 15 the post office of Ables in Hudspeth County, Texas, will change its name to Salt Flat.

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## Conglomerates from Chicago

By SEYMOUR A. RISH

Send items of interest concerning the Chicago area to Seymour A. Rish, Linn's Chicago correspondent, 3409 W. Fifth Ave., Chicago, Ill. Mr. Rish will appreciate hearing from any readers who have news items of general interest.

One year ago, in the March 9, 1940, issue of LINN'S, the first "Conglomerates From Chicago" column was published. For the benefit of new subscribers, I will quote from the first paragraph of the initial column: "This column is to be a conglomeration of clippings from Chicago newspapers, notes on stamp events in this city, and anything else of philatelic nature that may enter into the writer's mind." I sincerely hope that I have fulfilled this statement during the past year. I will appreciate hearing from any readers who have either favorable or unfavorable comments to make concerning my writings. Won't you please drop me a few lines—a post card will be sufficient—letting me know how you feel?

The February issue of "The Straight Edge", official journal of the Roosevelt Philatelic Society, announces a change in editorship. L. E. Van Reeth, the society's secretary, has been given the job of preparing this newsy, mimeographed organ.

The Polonus Philatelic Society held an exhibit at Falcon Hall, 1062 North Ashland Avenue, on March 6-7-8. One of the outstanding Polish clubs in the country, this organization has always made interesting displays.

R. Barnes, 3729 West 64th Place, Chicago, contributes some interesting clippings.—According to the Feb. 9 *Southtown Economist*, a faithful employee of one Illinois post office was a dog that regularly carried the mail in a cart from Orion of Western Township in Henry country to a point about three-quarters of a mile distant where the Rock Island and Peoria had a station.—A *Chicago Tribune* clipping reports that a young

Charleston, S. C., fellow received a letter from his sweetheart, with a mark, "Passed by Censor." It is believed her father had marked the cover.—A picture in the Nov. 6 *Chicago News*, shows a sailor carrying mail ashore when the ship is at dock, with a bicycle. This bike, oddly enough, is part of the equipment of one of the destroyers traded by the United States to Britain.—"The mail goes thru", even if it did take 10 years Mrs. Adele B. Frey received a Rip Van Winkle catalog, which was addressed to her at Cleveland in 1930, when it finally reached her in Chicago a few days ago.

The first issue of its second year of publication of the "Hamilton Park Collector", organ of the Hamilton Park Stamp Club, arrived today. Among its interesting writings is the conclusion of the article, "1913-1918 Issue of Chinese Republic", by W. M. Heflin, the club's Secy.-Treas.

More than 250 frames of rare stamps were displayed Jan. 24, at the annual exhibition and bourse of the North Shore Philatelic Society in the Edgewater Beach Hotel. A government exhibit,

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loaned by the Post Office Department, was one of the added attractions.

The society's annual banquet, which was held on the second night, was enriched by Chicago's Postmaster, Ernest J. Kruetgen, who was one of the speakers.

My thanks to Edwin Brooks, Stamp and Coin Editor of the *Chicago Herald-American*, for sending clipping which reveals that the residents of Hampshire, Ill., at one time received their mail delivery from a 115-mile-an-hour streamliner. Because of the speed the catching device often failed to function and the bags fell to the ground and were sucked under the wheels and badly ground up. Recently, however, a slower train began to carry their mail and it is expected to do away with this unfortunate event.

Heard on a radio quiz program: Why is a bad boy in school like a postage stamp? Because he is licked and placed in the corner to stick to his letters.

The Nov. 24, 1940 issue of *This Week Magazine*, published an article, "Why Consider the Postage Stamp" by Wear Holbrook, which attacked direct mail advertising. The subhead of the article read: "IT MAY STICK TO ONE THING TIL IT GETS THERE, AND ALL THAT, BUT WHEN IT GETS THERE IT GENERALLY STICKS YOU."

According to the Division of Classification in the Third Assistant Postmaster General's office, no advertising should be placed on the front of the business reply card or envelope. The business reply card and envelope, he states, is nothing more than a form.

Glancing through the Chicago Telephone Directory reveals that there are seven Cover, three Stamp, two Postal, two Postmann, and one Mail (a Sylvia) listed in it.

The Jan. '41 issue of *The Straight Edge*, official organ of the Roosevelt Philatelic Society of Chicago, arrived

slightly later than usual. This was due to the resignation of "Bill" Walters, who served as printer, publisher, cartoonist, etc., for a practically uninterrupted six-year period. The "pinch-hitter," however, did quite a good job on this number.

A cartoon, by Lariar, in the Jan. 18 *This Week Magazine*, depicts a U. S. Army Training Camp Officer speaking to a U. S. Mail delivery man. He says, "We're going to move tomorrow. Can we have 6,000 change-of-address cards?"

An article, "1913-1918 Issue of Chinese Republic", by W. M. Hefin, a Chinese stamp specialist, appeared in the Jan. 25 issue of the *Hamilton Park Collector*. This interesting monthly publication of the Hamilton Park Stamp Club, of Chicago, will celebrate its first birthday very soon.

The *Chicago Times* had an enlarged photograph of the new German stamp issue which depicts Hitler and Mussolini, in the Feb. 20 issue of the paper.

I acknowledge with thanks recent covers received from Mrs. H. D. Haight of Rochester, N. Y.

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JIMMY HATLO'S "THEY'LL DO IT Every Time" cartoon of February 10th will be of interest to the collector who never has any stamps to use for postage though the rest of the family thinks he should be stocked for that purpose. Thanks to J. L. Grove and others for calling this to our attention.

HOW DO YOU MOUNT YOUR COLLECTION? If you think you have a scheme for doing that chore better than the average, why not write it up and send it in? Probably the one bit of information many collectors want is "how to mount their stamps and covers." To most of us, it's taken for granted, but to the new converts it's a puzzle. Let's have some letters and articles on this????

OUR CANADIAN SUBSCRIBERS now get a free stamp with each issue of LWSN, since we must now affix a quarter-cent Canadian excise revenue stamp to each wrapper to pay the Canadian tax on foreign periodicals. Queerest part of the transaction is that we cannot pay for the stamps in Canadian dollars, even though we had accumulated a little of it. It's getting something or other when a country won't take its own money for its stamps; but collectors are used to such carryings-on.

THE TRUTH DOES FORCE ITSELF out now and then, as witness the typewriter slip in a recently received publicity announcement of an exhibition which referred to a cover display including "Graft Zeps."

NO "CLOSED SHOP" AFFAIR IS the election of the Universal Ship Cancellation Society. The official or-

gan, the U. S. C. S. Log, carries paid ads of the contending parties, and it certainly does add a novel touch to society activities. The February number of the Log incidentally contains a complete list of the 50 traded destroyers and their present British names, ship by ship.

ALL IS CLEAR NOW! IT WAS 200 tons, not 200,000, that Signor Mussolini netted from his copper postal card scheme. Our original mention of the curious sanctions-evading scheme stated "200" (page 729, Sept. 14, 1940) and Cap. Townsend's finger bounced on his typewriter when pounding out the January 25th story, resulting in "200,000 tons." Anyway, that's our guess; although Cap says he did it on purpose to see if anyone would notice the extra tonnage. Yes, Cap, they DID; for many readers spent 3c to point out the extremely large allotment per post card.

THE WAY THAT \$300,000 COLLECTION rapidly fell in value to less than \$100 in Philadelphia is breath-taking. The peddler will lose his \$9 invested in it at this rate. We suspect the profits will be solely to the lawyers of the three contending claimants.

THE FIRST EDITION OF THE PRE-cancel Optimist since the Precancel Bee was combined with it, has arrived and is quite a credit to its publisher, Adolf Gunesch and its Editor, Dr. H. Preston Hoskins. The 32-page monthly combines the features of both publications. Subscription rate is \$1 and we'd say well worth it.

GUESS WE NEVER REALIZE WHEN things have been good until they get worse. That thought is brought on by the sellout at the Pan American Union of a new Dominican Republic, most sales being in full sheets. Has the mania to save the ets extended to foreign new issues as well? And these were sheets of 100 too, not any piker miniature block stuff.

SIGNIFICANT ARE THE NOTICES in post office lobbies of parcel post service to foreign countries. Ever notice all the deletions and other changes? Postmasters have had to make frequent changes.

WHAT PUZZLES US IS WHO USES, if indeed anyone does, all those stamps issued for the General Government of Poland. The press says most Poles are either starving, in prison camps, or on forced labor as serfs in Germany; who then uses the stamps?

THE COVERS WE'D LIKE TO GET from the Highway Post Office, would be the time it runs out of gas.

THE GREEKS ARE GIVING PHILATELY a chance to help pay for their war. We see that the Albanian occupation set is offered—if it arrives.

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## The Forum

Akron, O., Jan. 11, 1941

Linns Weekly Stamp News,  
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Editor:

At a recent meeting of the Zeppelin Stamp Club of Akron, Ohio, on this question of gum on mint stamps the members thought it would be a good idea to take the gum off. The reasons were that the stamps crack and that in damp weather they will stick to the pages and then will have to be soaked off anyway.

HARRY W. OLSON, Sec'y.

## Auction Calendar

We list herewith the auctions that have been advertised in our columns. The firms will be pleased to send upon request a copy of the catalogues. Dealers desiring listing in this column of coming sales should advise us of details at earliest possible date, as forms close on second Thursday preceding date of publication.

March 10-11—(postponed from Feb. 25-26) Falkland Islands, airmails, etc. H. R. Harmer, Inc., 32-34 E. 57th St., New York City.

March 11—U. S. Collection (Illustrated catalog 25c). Parke-Bernet Galleries, Inc., 30 E. 57th St., New York City.

March 17—U. S. including wholesale. Wakonda Stamp Co., Dept. 52, P. O. Box 1792, Denver, Colo.

March 17-18—German States and Colonies, U. S., etc. H. R. Harmer, Inc., 32-34 E. 57th St., New York City.

March 25-26—U. S. and Possessions, Uptown Stamp Co., 140L W. 42nd St., New York City.

March 29—At ATEX exhibition, Atlantic City. M. Ohlman, 116L Nassau St., New York City.

April 1—First portion of Brown effects. H. Wendt, Waverly, Iowa.

• Park Smith, P. O. Box 7, The Strand, C. P., South Africa, offers to let collectors send covers on future first flights to Africa addressed to him. He will return upon receipt of envelope and postage. Mr. Smith is author of a recent book on South African air events.

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150	27.23	14.62	9.62	8.14
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### Belgian Control Mark

Belgian parcel post stamps have been issued overprinted with a letter B in monogram frame as a result of the loss by theft of large quantities of stamps during the German invasion. Stamps without the control mark are no longer valid, the *New York Times* states. Similar control marks have been used many times by other countries in the past to prevent use of stamps stolen or lost. Nicaragua and Honduras have done this.

### Salvaged from Sea

The Canadian postal service in a bulletin called attention to a recently reported instance of a package salvaged from the sea, apparently repacked at Boston, Mass., and sent onward to addressee. The package had been mailed from Canada on November 9th, containing a silk dress, two pounds of butter, a pound of tea and a pound of sugar. When received in England it bore a Boston postmark, indicating salvage ap-

parently by an American vessel. The dress had been dried and pressed, and along with the butter (still in good shape) had been wrapped in a Boston newspaper. The tea and sugar are not accounted for, but we assume Davy Jones enjoyed tasty salt water for a while.

• On March 31 these post offices will be discontinued: Reesdale and Sonman, Pa.; and Congleton, Ky.

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We again offer this big \$10,000 sales offer. See the handsome Silver Streak Cover Page illustrated herewith. This page is of heavy weight black antique cover paper stock. Size  $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$  inches. Punched with three holes to fit any standard size three ring binder and round cornered. Each page will hold two covers on each side, thus four covers to each page. A pack of 20 pages will hold 80 covers and with each pack of 20 pages we include 20 sheets of glassine interleaving, also punched to fit the binder. This permits mounting covers on both sides of your page and gives you the finest and most attractive cover album that you can imagine. Red art corners have been used in mounting covers and they certainly make a handsome appearance.

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## Stamp Club Activities

**A. P. S. Convention**—The committee for the August 19-23 convention at Baltimore, Md. has been appointed with Perry W. Fuller and R. Miller Arnold as co-Chairmen. The sub-committees have been appointed also and plans for the convention are well under way.

**Binghamton, N. Y.**—The 9th annual dinner and exhibition will be held on April 26, the Binghamton Philatelic Society Beacon states. The restrictions on entries have not been decided, but interested persons can probably learn this by inquiry of the Secretary Pro-Tem, Donald S. Judd, 68 Mill St. Jere Hess Barr, Secretary of the American Philatelic Congress will speak at the dinner.

**Dubuque, Iowa**—April 19 and 20 are the dates of second annual exhibition of the Dubuque Philatelic Society, which will be held at the Y. M. C. A. at 9th and Iowa Streets. Prospectus of exhibition obtainable of P. S. Sarson, 375 Fremont Ave., Dubuque.

**Hamilton, Ohio**—Plans for the sixth annual dinner meeting of the Fort Hamilton Philatelic Society are being completed by a committee headed by Henry J. Haight. The meeting will be held May 12 with a program featuring speaker, and an entertainment acted by members from a script prepared by the chairman and Secretary Albert E. Tabler. This club meets second Mondays at the Y. M. C. A. and any information may be obtained by contacting the Secretary at 852 Greenwood Ave. Visitors are welcome to attend regular meetings as well as the annual dinner.

**Mineola, N. Y.**—During March the Nassau Suffolk Philatelic Alliance, an organization of Long Island stamp clubs, will hold an exhibition at the Police

Auditorium, Mineola. Admission is free and a door prize will be given.

**Oklahoma Philatelic Society**—The 9th annual convention will be held Sept. 19-20-21 at Pawhuska, Okla. The advance notice says everything will be in "true Indian style." A copy of the exhibition rules may be obtained about April 10 from Mr. O. A. Farrell, President of the Pawhuska Stamp Club by writing him at the Osage Indian Agency, Pawhuska. The O. P. S. has grown to be one of the largest stamp societies in the U. S., having at present over 1,000 members.

### Pan American Day

The Pan American Union in connection with advance publicity in connection with plans for observing Pan American Day on April 14 has issued a list of stamps of member countries which the Union has on sale at Washington, D. C.

- Eire has issued a 5 shilling Livestock Insurance stamp, which on account of the absence of English inscriptions might be mistaken for a postage stamp. It is a revenue stamp issued as a result of the current emergency in that country's livestock trade.

- Some business firms in England tried to protect their stamps from thieves, or at least make identification easier, by imprinting on the backs the initials of the firms. These are found on the penny red.

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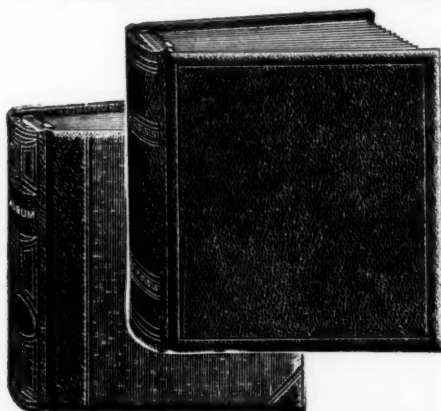
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A Record of New Issues

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**BULGARIA—Commemorative.** Honoring the First Centenary of Printing in Bulgaria. Both are upright rectangular format. Upon each, the lower portion of the stamp is made up of the printing press, books, etc. On the lower value are the date "1440-1940," while the other has the dates "1840-1940":

1L. green (Portrait of Gutenberg)

2L. brown (Portrait of Karastovanoff)

(R. Roberts)

**DENMARK—New Postage.** Type of 1933-40, engraved, unwmkd., perf. 13x12½. Type II:

A30—20 ore, red

A30—35 ore, violet

(Carl Bryan)



—Illustration courtesy J. Chas. Baxter of Columbus Citizen

## DOLLAR Columbians



Cheapest of this little group of rarities is the \$2.00, Scott No. 242. Usual retail for average copies is about \$8.00. I have some Specially Priced ones, used, of fine appearance, at \$4.25 each. These are not sound, but they look a heck of a lot better than many off centered, heavily cancelled ones, that sell for twice as much. Returnable of course for any reason.

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**SPAIN—Red Cross Semi-Postals.** Large size stamp, similar to Scott's A166, with profile of Franco same as on that design. Double-barred tuberculosis Cross in red on each. Perf. 10:

10c. violet

20c. plus 5c. gray-green

40c. plus 10c. steel blue

**Provisionals.** Under-noted stamps, overprinted in black in three lines "HABILITADO PARA 5 CTS." The first word is diagonal, reading up from the lower left:

50c. maroon (Loading Mail on Train)

Airmail 7P. purple (Mountain Road)

(The Stamp Mart)

**BULGARIA—New Postage.** Lower value is upright rectangular format, small size same as Scott's A132, perf. 13, unwmkd. Higher value is horizontal rectangular format 33x23mm., perf. 13, unwmkd.:

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30a. red-orange (Man gathering honey)

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9	2c	dull purple	.50
9	2c	lilac, used	.75
9a	Yellowish paper, used		2.50
10	5c	blue, used	.95
10a	Yellowish paper, used		1.25
11	8½c	green	2.25
11	8½c	green, used	2.25
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C15	.05	C63	.25	C11	.20
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C18	.12	C112	.04	C107	.20
ESTONIA		C117	.06	C109	.50
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C12	.10	C27	.12	C4	.20
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C17	.10	C80	.07	C14	.04
C24	.10	C85	.50	C15	.10
C30	1.00	C85	.02	C26	.10
GUATEMALA		C86	.03	C27	.10
C3	.12	C87	.08	C31	.20
C15	.08	C90	.07	C32	.15
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The Pan American second printing from Chile has appeared in large quantities in the New York market. The variety on the 15th stamp has been corrected and that is the only way you can tell the re-issue from the original issue.

What is believed to be the first time in the history of Philately, a stamp company will inaugurate a weekly stamp program. The Frasek Co. of White Plains, N. Y. has taken over "the Stamp Man" broadcast program conducted by Walter Kaner. The weekly programs will be aired over WWRL of Woodside, Long Island. This program is scheduled each Sunday evening at 8:45 P. M.

Contrary to the general impression that new issues of air mails are excessive in cost and that only a wealthy man can keep up with them, L. W. Charlat, air mail specialist of New York City, has formulated a tabulation of all air mails released during 1940 and found that they had a retail cost of only \$92.00. I am looking for an ambitious dealer who will tabulate the cost of the regular New Issues for 1940.

The Liberian Consulate was the scene of great activity the other day. Three new issues were simultaneously released. These same issues were put on sale at Monrovia on the same date. William Walker, the consul, is to be commended for his fine attitude on the distribution of the sets. Mr. Walker realized his meagre supply wouldn't last, especially with large wholesale houses ordering the stamps via the thousand dollar certified checks, so he limited the quantities to 25 of each set to each dealer, and saw to it that no dealer went to the end of the line upon receiving his quota.

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### Dealer's Publications

Their six-page Packet List No. 25 is at hand from Marks Stamp Co., 258 College St., Toronto 2, Canada. Copies are free to collectors.

A new edition has appeared of A. E. Pade's catalog of mixtures and single stamps of certain countries. A great number of mixtures are offered, more than any other American dealer can supply. The single stamp offerings include mainly Scandinavian countries and their possessions and dependencies but also a number of pages of worldwide offerings. The 32-page list concludes with airmails and U. S. A copy may be obtained by request of Pade at 1639 Stout St., Denver, Colo. Mixture buyers will be interested in Mr. Pade's candid "Picked or Unpicked" paragraphs in the introduction to his catalog; we recommend it.

Ben L. Morris, Bellaire, Ohio (Box 179) has issued the seventh annual edition of his check list of Christmas Seals of the World, which is obtainable at 10c per copy. It is in effect a catalogue of these issues as it lists and describes them from all countries.

Part Four of the 1941 edition of Wholesale Catalog No. 88 is being distributed by Grossman Stamp Co., 102 West 42nd St., New York City. A copy will be sent any dealer upon request.

From L. W. Charlat, 180 Broadway, New York City, comes a pocket size 1941 price list of mint airmail stamps, which we suppose Mr. Charlat will be pleased to send upon request.

• It has been claimed that inverted center varieties of Italy's 1924 Holy Door issue could not have been made other than deliberately, since the press used to print the issue printed both portions of the design in two successive impressions on the paper.

• The January 31st auction of Harmer, Rooke & Co. included an unusual perforation variety, being a horizontal pair imperf. between of Siam's 4a on 5a 1908 commemorative, the right hand stamp being imperforate at top and bottom also.

• The Bureau of Engraving and Printing was founded on August 29, 1862 with a staff of two men and four women who began working in an attic room of the Treasury Department's building. They were at first employed only in finishing sheets of paper currency delivered by private contractors, adding signatures, seals and then cutting.

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## Indian Territory Postmarks

The Cover Collectors of America have unearthed data showing that up to 1897 there had existed 476 post offices in the Indian Territory. This surprising total has been accomplished as a result of research by many Oklahoma members. The list has been mimeographed and copies may probably be obtained of the group. The C. C. of A. will celebrate their first birthday with a convention at Tulsa, Okla., on April 4-5-6 with a large exhibition. They eventually intend to publish a catalogue of all covers. A membership campaign is under way and anyone interested in covers, no matter of what type, should contact the Secretary, Mrs. R. B. Allport, 1621 S. Quaker, Tulsa. Among additional features of the convention recently planned are daily broadcasts and a bourse of dealers from all over the U. S.

• A dangerous forgery of the 15 centimos 1905 Don Quixote stamp of Spain is described and illustrated in the February *Emco Monthly Journal of the Marks Stamp Co.*, Toronto. Incidentally, this issue of stamps was good for postage only from May 1 to 15, 1905, they say.

• In the postmark for the Naval Air Station at Alameda, Calif. the wording was spaced incorrectly with the result that "STA" is separated by about half an inch of space from the balance of the wording. This was caused by the cutting out of the word "BASE" which had been included in error. Specimen shown by Adam Gruenig.

## Why Sending of Stamps to Belligerents Has Been Stopped

The real value of a nation's currency must be maintained in wartime and attempts to set a fictitious value have not always proven successful. When such is attempted the currency generally attains a lower price in foreign exchanges, whether such transactions are legal or not. Italy's lire is a current example of this. To conserve assets, and avoid loss, a strict embargo has been placed by most countries on sales and purchases of postage stamps for collection purposes. A number of countries have forbidden all private sendings in international mails. The British allow stamps to be sold abroad (chiefly in the U. S.) with the stipulation that such sale is for dollars and the money is paid the British government by the purchaser or selling agent, the government paying the owner in English currency. This method prevents prospective refugees from establishing funds abroad which in effect would be taking securities out of the country. Needed dollar exchange is thus conserved and even increased.

The ban on collectors in belligerent countries exchanging with American countries has been occasioned by evasions of less stringent rules. It is known that fictitious exchanges have been arranged, the foreigner sending a lot of valuable stamps and receiving in return many cheap stamps. By this method his American friend has aided him in gradually getting the bulk of his valuable stamps—or his fortune—to this country. This scheme was uncovered early in the war and the German government set up regulations which have effectively prevented it.

The great amount of time necessary to check stamp sendings, has probably as much as any other reason, prompted governments such as New Zealand and Dutch Indies, Straits Settlements and many others to stop all private sendings. Spies have in the past frequently used, or attempted to use, stamps as a means of conveying messages and the censors must therefore exercise care in passing such matter. Since censorship of ordinary mails requires large forces, often hundreds of men and women, the ban on stamp sendings is understandable. Despite the large staffs, long delays have been noted. Sometimes these delays have been claimed to be deliberate, and in the commercial interest of belligerents and against those of the neutrals.

• The first watermarked stamps of Roumania were produced by printing the watermark by means of a special ink on the backs of finished sheets of the stamps, instead of being produced at time the paper was made as is customary.

• "Our fate has been and will be always on the sea" is the quotation on Italy's 1-lire 1932 stamp commemorating the tenth anniversary of the fascist government.



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## AT RANDOM.

Another 'Q' city for OHIO for those alphabet collectors; Quaker City, Ohio in U-126 type.—Results of sale of Southgate's bureau coil strips that were offered by Herman Herst Jr. The first lot of OLD TYPES catalog \$164.50 sold for \$50, second lot new small types, catalog \$112.62 sold for \$22 and the third lot cataloging \$114.88 sold for \$27. While the above prices are nothing for precancel collectors to brag about they are all that could be expected from the lots because of the manner of grouping. As I understand it the condition of all the material was very fine so if a dealer bought the material he should come out very nicely on his deal.—This seems to be IOWA week. From out that way comes a set of Defense from Hartly, in U-120 type. From C. W. Sachs comes the 1c Defense from Breda, Ia., U-122; Schaller, U-120; and Arthur, U-120N; 1c Presidentials, Vail, U-120N; Woodbine, U-120; Logan, U-122; Keota, U-122; Kellerton, U-121; Medrick, U-120; Grand River, U-121; Galva, U-122; Dunlap, U-122; Dow City, U-120N; Bedford, U-120; Ainsworth, U-121. There you are town and type collectors, start chasing those.—Little Rock 1c Defense buro is out.—The Auction season is at hand and we can expect the lists to come fast and furious from now on till warm weather. Last one to my attention was from W. H. Perry, Big Spring, Texas with a 1c Defense in U-121.—At last found a collector making a collection of the 1 1/2 Front Face Hardings, 3c Stuarts and 4c Tafts in both bureau and city types. We always thought that these three stamps would make the ideal specialized collection but never could find anyone who thought the same way until I came across Mr. Howard A. Schaefer of Lancaster. He is going into the thing right and we know he will get a lot of pleasure out of his collection. We know of several collectors that saved the 3c Stuarts and got along with them till one or two a week were about all they could expect and a dealer could not help them nor give them much service. Yet each one turned a deaf ear to my pleadings to add the 1 1/2c FF and 4c Taft to their collection. None of them are actively collecting today. Don't make your specialized collection too small!

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